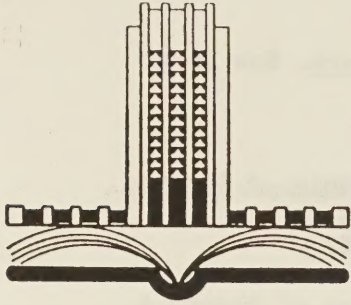


Historic, Archive Document

Do not assume content reflects current scientific knowledge, policies, or practices.

aZ5071
.A3U5.

Nov 1986



AGRI-TOPICS

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LIBRARY

REFERENCE DIVISION

BELTSVILLE•MARYLAND•20705

BULBS

Tulips and hyacinths, first introduced in Europe in the 16th century, originated in Turkey and the Balkans where they probably had been cultivated for a thousand years. Other types of bulbs are from such diverse geographic areas as South Africa and North & South America. Charles L'Escluse, a Professor of Botany at the University at Leiden, Holland, collected many bulbs in the Near East and developed the world famous Hortus gardens. Holland remains, today, the center of the bulb industry. Because they are easy to transport, bulbs have been grown in North American gardens almost since the time of the first European settlers.

Most people consider any plant a bulb if it stores energy in an underground fleshy organ during a dormant period of its life, but not all such plants are true bulbs. Some are large stems like iris rhizomes or begonia tubers; others are swollen roots like those of canna.

Whether 'true' bulbs or not, each may differ in its origin, whether it's hardy or tender, and its basic cultural requirements.

The following is a list of books on bulb culture and a list of journals and societies dealing with various plants growing from bulbs.

SELECTED BOOKS

Cathey, Henry M. Spring Flowering Bulbs. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Home and Garden Bulletin 136, 1976. (out of print).
NAL call no: 1Ag84Hg 136

Cathey, Henry M. Summer Flowering Bulbs. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Home and Garden Bulletin 151, revised 1980. (Available from Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., \$2.50)

NAL call no: 1Ag84Hg 151

Crockett, James Underwood. Bulbs. New York, Time-Life Books, 1971. (out of print)

NAL call no: SB425.C76

Fogg, H.G. Witham. The Complete Handbook of Bulbs. London: Ward Lock Limited, 1974. (out of print)

NAL call no: SB425.F6

- Genders, Roy. Bulbs: A Complete Handbook of Bulbs, Corms and Tubers. New York: Bobbs-Merrill Co., 1973. (out of print)
NAL call no: SB425.G4
- Grey-Wilson, Christopher and Brian Mathew. Bulbs: The Bulbous Plants of Europe and Their Allies. Brattleboro, VT: Stephen Greene Press, 1983.
ARB call no: SB425.G7 1981
- Handbook on Bulbs. Brooklyn, NY: Brooklyn Botanic Garden. (reprint of Plants & Gardens, vol. 37, no. 3)
NAL call no: 450 P694 v.37(3)
- Harrison, Richmond E. Bulbs and Perennials. Portland, OR: Timber Press, 1983.
NAL call no: SB425.H38 1967
- Hertogh, August de. Holland Bulb Forcers Guide. Hillegom, The Netherlands: International Flower-Bulb Centre, 1985.
NAL call no: SB425.H4 1973
- Mathew, Brian. Dwarf Bulbs. London, Batsford: Royal Horticultural Society, 1973. (out of print)
NAL call no: SB425.M38
- Mathew, Brian. The Larger Bulbs. North Pomfret, VT: David and Charles, Inc., 1978.
NAL call no: SB425.M382
- McNair, James K. All About Bulbs. San Francisco, CA: Ortho Books, 1982.
NAL call no: SB425.M4 1981
- Pate, John and Kingsley Dixon. Tuberous, Cormous and Bulbous Plants. Portland, OR: Timber Press, 1982.
NAL call no: QK646.P3
- Petrova, Eva. Flowering Bulbs. London, New York: Hamlyn, 1975. (out of print)
NAL call no: SB425.P43
- Rees, A.R. The Growth of Bulbs: Applied Aspects of the Physiology of Ornamental Bulbous Crop Plants. London: Academic Press, 1972.
NAL call no: SB425.R45
- Reynolds, Marc and William L. Meachem. The Complete Book of Garden Bulbs. New York: Funk & Wagnalls, 1971. (out of print)
NAL call no: SB425.R47
- Rix, Martyn and Geoffrey A. C. Herklots. Growing Bulbs. Portland, OR: Timber Press, 1983.
NAL call no: SB425.R625
- Rockwell, F.F. and Esther C. Grayson. The Complete Book of Bulbs. Garden City, NY: American Garden Guild and Double Day & Co., 1953. (out of print)
ARB call no: SB425.R62
- Simons, Arthur J. Bulb Growing. Litton, Yorkshire, Magna Print Books, 1974. (Large print edition) (out of print)
NAL call no: SB425.S52
- Sunset Editors. How to Grow Bulbs. 4th ed. Menlo Park, CA: Lane Books, 1985.
NAL call no: SB425.S9 1979

Wister, Gertrude S. Hardy Garden Bulbs. New York: Dutton, 1964.
NAL call no: 96.4 W762

JOURNALS

The American Peony Society Bulletin. Hopkins, MN: American Peony Society.
quarterly. NAL call no: 81 AM38BB

The Begonian. Encinitas, Ca: American Begonia Society. bimonthly.
NAL call no: 96.511 B39

Bulletin of the American Dahlia Society. Columbia, NJ: American Dahlia Society.
quarterly. NAL call no: 81.AM322

Bulletin of the American Iris Society. Wichita, KS: American Iris Society.
quarterly. NAL call no: 81 AM39

The Daffodil Journal. Hernando, MS: American Daffodil Society. quarterly.
NAL call no: 80 D134

Dahliagram. Washington, D.C.: National Capital Dahlia Society. monthly.
NAL call no: 96.524 D13

The Daylily Journal. Cokato, MN: American Hemerocallis Society. quarterly.
NAL call no: 81 M583N

The Gloxinian. Beverly Farms, MA: American Gloxinia and Gesneriad Society.
bimonthly. NAL call no: 96.06 G51

The Lily Yearbook. Waukeg, IA: North American Lily Society.
NAL call no: 96.46 N81

Newsletter, Region 3. Pittsburgh, PA: American Hemerocallis Society.
NAL call no: 81 AM399

North American Gladiolus Council Bulletin. Boise, Idaho: North American
Gladiolus Council. quarterly. NAL call no: 96.43 N81

Plant Life, Amaryllis Year Book. La Jolla, CA: American Plant Life Society.
NAL call no: 450 P695

SOCIETIES AND INSTITUTES

Amaryllis Research Institute

Box 92

Westfield, In 46074

Tel. no: (317) 261-4375

Founded 1978

Membership (contributions in cash or live plant materials from those in a
position to donate) includes the annual magazine Amaryllis Bulletin.

American Begonia Society

Mr. John Ingles, Jr.

8922 Conway Dr.

Riverside, CA 92503

Tel. no: (714) 687-3728

Founded 1932

Membership (\$15 annually) includes the bimonthly publication The Begonian.

American Daffodil Society

Ms. Leslie Anderson

Rt. 3

Byhalia, MS 36632

Tel. no: (601) 368-6337

Founded 1955

Membership (\$10 annually) includes the quarterly magazine Daffodil Journal.

American Dahlia Society

Mr. Mike L. Martinolich

159 Pine St.

New Hyde Park, NY 11040

Tel no: (516) 742-3890

Founded 1915.

Membership (\$8 annually) includes quarterly publication Bulletin of the American Dahlia Society.

American Gloxinia and Gesneriad Society, Inc.

Department AHS

Box 312

Ayer, MA 01432

Tel. no: (617) 772-4482

Founded 1954

Membership (\$7 annually) includes bimonthly magazine The Gloxinian and booklet How to Know and Grow Gesneriads.

American Hemerocallis Society

Ms. Annie Busse

Route 2, Box 13

Cokato, MN 55321

Founded 1948

Membership (\$12.50 annually) includes the quarterly publication The Daylily Journal.

The American Iris Society

6518 Beachy Avenue

Wichita, KS 67206

Tel. no. (316) 686-8734

Founded 1920

Membership (\$9.50 annually) 24 regional and 90 local societies. Includes quarterly magazine Bulletin of the American Iris Society.

American Peony Society

250 Interlachen Road

Hopkins, MN 55343

Tel. no: (612) 938-4706

Founded 1903

Membership (\$7.50 annually) includes quarterly American Peony Society Bulletin.

American Plant Life Society

Box 150

La Jolla, Ca 92038

Tel. no: (714) 452-0690

Founded 1933

Membership (\$7.50 annually) includes annual Plant Life.

Aril Society International

5500 Constitution, N.E.

Albuquerque, NM 87110

Tel. no: (505) 255-8207

Founded 1958

Membership (\$4 annually) includes semiannual Newsletter and Yearbook, Aril Society International.

Gesneriad Society International

1800 Grand

Box 549

Knoxville, TN 37901

Tel. no: (615) 524-9881

Founded 1952

Membership (\$7 annually) includes bimonthly Gesneriad Saintpaulia News

North American Gladiolus Council

30 Highland Place

Peru, In 46970

Tel. no: (317) 473-7478

Founded 1945

Membership (\$6 annually) includes Quarterly Bulletin of the North American Gladiolus Council.

North American Lily Society

Box 476

Waukeg, IA 50263

Founded 1947

Membership (\$12.50 annually) includes North American Lily Society Quarterly Bulletin and Yearbook.

Prepared by:

Susan C. Whitmore

Horticulture Information Center

National Agricultural Library

Beltsville, MD 20705

November 1986

